DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: That is the aim of the department.

MR. CHAZHIKATTU JOSEPH: May I know how the delay occurs in spending the amounts so ear-marked on a particular road and who is responsible for bringing about the difficulties in the matter of sanctioning the estimates etc.? May I ask the Chief Engineer to see whether he will be in a position to cure all these irregularities?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: As a matter of fact I have been trying to rectify all the defects pointed out by the Honourable members of the Legislature.

MR. P. K. KURIAKOSE: May I know what is the fate of the allotment that is carried forward if it has not been spent within the three years period?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: The policy of Government has not yet been decided on that matter.

MR. E. K. MADHAVAN: May I know from the Chief Engineer whether he has visited the Parur-Alwaye road recently?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: I have not visited it within the last six months.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: May I know whether the Chief Engineer has visited certain important mofussil roads in the Mavelikara taluk?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: If the member could specify what the roads are I will enlighten him.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: May I know whether the Chief Engineer has visited the ryots roads on the Kunnattur-Mavelikara side?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: I have seen a few roads of that category.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: Can the member name what they are?

Bridge over Atchencoil River.

74. *MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have considered the advisability of having bridges at Arattukadavu, Mavelikara and Prayikara Kadavu, Mavelikara; and

(b) what the Government have done in respect thereof?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: *(a)* Yes, a bridge at Prayikara kadavu is considered sufficient.

(b) A design and an estimate for the bridge have been prepared.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: May I know when was the estimate prepared?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: About eight years ago. There are also other bridges on the same line and steps have to be taken to take up the work one after the other.

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MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: May I know from the Chief Engineer the date on which the estimate was prepared and how long it was pending?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: About six or seven years. I am giving it merely from memory.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: May I know whether any action was taken after this question was asked?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: I am told that it is to have priority. So I am concentrating on that Kollakadavu Bridge.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: May I know whether the Honourable member considers it true that large number of buses run along this road?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: Sir, to get a completely bridged road from Mavelikara to Chengannur, the people want two or three bridges in the other line. That is why it is getting priority

Construction of new tanks in the Anandanar System.

75. *MR. S. THIRAVIAM NADAR *(Nominated)*: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new tanks proposed to be constructed for use of tail end lands in the Anandanar system; and

(b) the number of such tanks in the Karavilai, Athikkadai, Thenkamputhur and Kottar channels?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: *(a)* Two.

(b) One tank at the tail end of Karavilai channel and the other at the tail end of Thenkamputhur channel.

Steam Rollers.

76. *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of P. W. D. Steam Rollers in the Quilon and Kottayam Divisions respectively at the beginning of the current year; and

(b) the total number of such Steam Rollers withdrawn to Trivandrum by the Chief Engineer from the Quilon and Kottayam Divisions respectively during the course of the current year?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: *(a)* Quilon Division 3, Kottayam Division 3;

(b) 2 Steam Rollers from Quilon Division were temporarily taken to Trivandrum and they have since been returned on the outbreak of monsoon. None was taken from the Kottayam Division.

Mamon Palam.

77. *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the date on which the Mamon Palam on the Quilon-Trivandrum Road collapsed; and

(b) whether the bridge was reconstructed?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: *(a)* The Mamon Palam did not collapse,

(b) This does not arise in view of answer to part *(a)*.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know from the

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